



# BEAR RIVER BULLETIN

Bear River Bulletin

November/December 2016



## Tribal Thanksgiving Dinner

### November 19, 2016

2:00 PM-4:00 PM

Dinner Served at 2:15 until gone

Tish Non Community Center



*More information contact the Events Committee (707) 733-1900*



*In Honor of the following Holidays the Tribal Office will be closed*

**Veterans Day**

November 11th, 2016

**Thanksgiving**

November 24th, & 25th, 2016

**Christmas**

December 23rd & 26th, 2016

## thanksgiving

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## Chairman's Corner

Hello all tribal members, I hope that you all had a very ghoulish time this past Halloween. We here at Bear River had our Annual Halloween celebration at the Tish Non Community Center, with plenty of kiddos and parents dressed up for the occasion.

Special kudos to those staff members that stepped up to decorate this year along with the tribal members.

I was unable to attend this year, as Chairman I was summoned to Sacramento for the Bureau of Oceans Energy Management Task Force meeting with all the costal tribes of California,

where we met with Federal and State agencies on the impact of windmills would have on the plants, fish, and animals as well as the ancestral grounds. There are going to be other meetings with the Governors Advisors of our concerns and comments in the near future so we can document these for the Department of Interior for review.

The Tribal Council had its annual strategic planning meeting, where we discussed the implementation of our Tribal Court/Police System and various other topics that included, Social Services engagement with tribal members on a more inclusive manner, a better understanding with the dynamics of Economic Development Strategies and Team Building for the entire enterprise and Tribal Community, with this intent on becoming more focused on the goals and traditional values that were established at last year's meeting.

So it is with great optimism and a prosperous outlook that we become a more self-sufficient and goal oriented community that is heathy and happy.

*Thank you, your Chairman, Barry Brenard*



## Employment

### Bear River Band

- Climate Change Adaption Intern
- Cultural Coordinator
- Economic Development Director
- Learning Center Teacher
- Recreation Center Guest Services Coordinator
- Tobacco Traders Cashier/Barista
- Tribal Case Manager/Elders Coordinator

### Bear River Casino Hotel

- Bear River Express Cashier
- Bellman
- Bonus Pit Dealer
- Busser
- Cocktail Server
- Experienced Table Games Dealer
- Guest Room Attendant
- Kitchen Supervisor
- Line Cook/Marketing Coordinator
- Player Development Host
- Porter
- Pump & Play Cashier
- Restaurant Supervisor
- Security Officer
- Server
- Transportation Driver

### Gaming Agency

- Surveillance Officer

For more information on employment please check out the website at [www.bearrivercasinohotel.com](http://www.bearrivercasinohotel.com) or contact Human Resources Department at (707) 733-1900.



## Meet *Our* New Hires

Stephen Cheney, Youth Coordinator

Ina Polanco, Learning Center Teacher

Nelisa Hanek, Revenue Auditor

Leticia Solis, Recreation Center Maintenance Worker

Jason Maki, Recreation Center Manager

Ruth Wortman, Recreation Center Maintenance Worker

Elizabeth Edwards, Recreation Center Guest Services Coordinator

Alexis Squire, Recreation Center Guest Services Coordinator

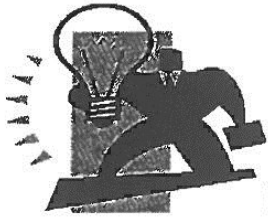
Crystal Sand, Recreation Center Guest Services Coordinator

## Casino Transfers & New to *Our* Team

Alisha Thomas, Recreation Center Guest Services Coordinator

Brenda Bowie, Recreation Center Guest Services Coordinator

Andrew Calderon, Recreation Center Maintenance Worker



## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT



### Loleta Cheese

Nothing new to report at this time.

### Tribal Loans

The Tribe has earned \$25,739 through 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2016. Reminder loans will not be processed in months that per-capita is distributed. (March, June, September, December) Also when applying for loans and to speed the process up please make sure you fill out the application completely and provide complete proof of income that you are claiming on your application.

### UltraGreen

Nothing new to report at this time.

### 20/20 Genesystems

Update on this is attached to this report.

### Billboard

The Tribe has earned \$6,570 through the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2016

There continues to be strong interest in billboard advertising from the business community and Bear River expects to continue to fill the advertising spots on a month to month basis.

### 611 I street

This property has earned us \$27,529 through the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2016. Manhard is not renewing their lease so we will be advertising for this space which will be available in March of 2017.

### Tobacco Traders

The Bear River Tobacco Traders business continues its improvement. Net sales have continued to be steady with net sales average for the third quarter of 2016 coming in at \$146,527 a month. The business, in addition to contributing indirect costs and covering depreciation and

providing tribal member employment, is turning a profit on a monthly basis net of expenses. This property has earned us \$87,797 through the 3rd quarter.

### **Economic Development Meeting**

I held a meeting on October 26, 2016. We discussed the 3rd quarter of 2016 financials as well as updates on current. I encourage you to attend the next meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday January 25, 2017 at 5pm in Tish-non Community Center**. The Tribe will have close to \$14,000,000 available to look for investment opportunities. I urge you to come forward and help the Tribe make sound decisions with these funds.

<b>Tribal Economic Development:</b>	<b>Thru Q3</b>	<b>Budget</b>
<b>2016</b>		
Beginning Balance	7,745,204.00	7,745,204.00
RAP Distribution	5,006,136.00	4,306,500.00
Department Expenses	-153,038.00	-161,457.00
611 I St Income	27,529.00	-22,196.00
Investment Income	45,514.00	75,000.00
Tobacco Traders	87,797.00	84,166.00
Tribal Loan Program	25,739.00	22,500.00
Billboard Income	6,570.00	6,204.00
<b>Transfer from Unrestricted</b>		
Ending Balance	12,791,451.00	12,055,921.00

Thank you

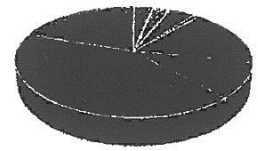
Dakota McGinnis

Economic Development Director



Utragreen	605,976	
Loleta cheese	130,778	
20/20 Gene Systems	50,000	786,754
I Street Property	629,397	
Tobacco Traders	971,166	
Billboard	247,346	
Fun Center	4,000,000	5,218,512
Basayo Village	2,500,000	3,129,397
Non Local Commercial Real Estate	10,000,000	
Cash & CDs	4,800,000	
Total	23,934,663	

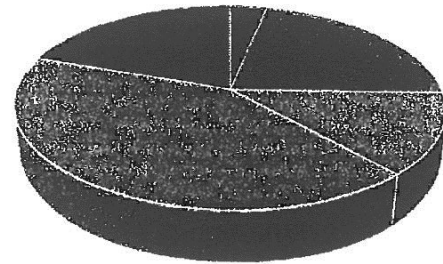
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- 20/20 Gene Systems
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- Basayo Village
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Projected Economic Development Allocation  
12/31/2017

Outside Investments	786,754
Tribal Investments	5,218,512
Local Real Estate	3,129,397
Non Local Real Estate	10,000,000
Cash & CDs	4,800,000
Total	23,934,663



- Outside Investments
- Tribal Investments
- Local Real Estate
- Non Local Real Estate
- Cash & CDs

## Council Meetings

Effective *November 1st, 2016*

Business & Enterprise Meetings will  
be held on

**Tuesdays**

*Mark your  
Calendars*

# Finance Department

## **BEAR RIVER BAND of ROHNERVILLE RANCHERIA**

266 KEISNER RD LOLETA, CA 95551-9707 PHONE 707-733-1900 FAX 707-733-7972



### **News From Finance**

I would like to welcome Nelisa Hanek to the finance staff as a revenue auditor. She previously worked at the Cache Creek Casino as a revenue auditor and will be graduating from HSU with a degree in accounting.

The following is an update with regard to Finance staff functions:

- Frances- Accounts Payable
- Stephanie- Payroll
- Elizabeth- Misc Accounting(Credit Cards, Debit Cards, Travel Recons, Fixed assets)
- Alicia- Accounts Receivable(Loans, Wusa, Homeowner Fees, Basayo, Little Bears Daycare, Misc AR
- Nelisa- Revenue audit for Tobacco Traders and the Recreation Center

Please direct your accounting issue to the appropriate finance person. If you have an information request, please do so by way of email and give us a 24 hour turnaround period to get you the information. This will help to minimize the amount of foot traffic in the Finance office and better manage our work load.

### **Reminder**

- Please send a change of address form to Enrollment if you have recently moved.
- New schedule for Per Capita distribution is June 1, September 1, December 1 and March 1. Quarterly payments of \$2,800 will be made in June, September and December are based on projected 2016 Casino net income. The 2016 4th quarter payment made in March, 2017 will be adjusted to reflect actual 2016 Casino net income.
- Please contact me if you are on SSI and need to have updated tax letter to send to the agency.
- Please be sure to sign up to receive your per capita distribution via direct deposit (see enclosed form).

Sincerely,

Allen H. Rode  
Finance Director  
Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria



## Reception Corner

Hello everyone, I guess you know that its going to be a long Winter so get your galoshes on and rain jackets to keep dry. Eat lots of good soups and stews.



The office has changed a bit since the children have gone back to school and it is too quiet, I kind of miss the hoopla.

As you know the office has a new desk and they have been waiting a long time for this piece of furniture. Its been a long time in the making. We have had a lot of comments on how much they like the desk.



Now that we have spoken about the desk I would like to welcome some new staff members on board such as the Youth Coordinator Steve.

I have a lot of lost and found items that were collected from the lobby and outside. 1 earring, a collectible coin, children coats and jackets and 2 phones. If you have lost something please stop by and see if it is yours.

In the mean time turkey day is around the corner so be prepared for the Holidays and weather.



## ENR Department

### Rain Water on the Rancheria

This year, a Subwatershed Based Plan was developed for our Rancheria to guide our management of water pollution. The goal of the Subwatershed Based Plan is to improve water quality to support a healthy tribal community and habitat of Bear River Rancheria. Our watersheds are part of the larger Eel River basin and the condition of our water on the Rancheria affects our neighbors and waters downstream. One of the objectives of this plan is to implement low impact development (LID) techniques to reduce nonpoint sources of pollution by 10 percent. Non point sources of pollution can come from runoff from roofs, roads, sidewalks and other impervious surfaces. LID techniques aim to reduce peak flows and runoff volumes by slowing the flow of storm water and encouraging surface permeability and bio filtration.

The Environmental Department has implemented a few of these techniques on the Rancheria by holding a raffle for tribal residents. Billy Robinson was the winner of the rain barrel installation. Rain Barrels capture storm water from roofs and provide storage for irrigation or non-potable indoor use. They benefit watersheds because they help reduce peak storm flows and residential runoff volumes.

We also created a rain garden in the yard of one of our tribal residents. Rob Ellis III was the winner of the rain garden raffle. Building a rain garden involves

directing a source of rain water (such as a downspout) into a vegetated area. This helps maximize infiltration into the soil, rather than running down a driveway, flooding a lawn or seeping into the foundation of the house. To achieve this, we attached a corrugated tube to the downspout to divert the water away from the house into a rock-lined channel. We dug a depression



that will capture the channeled water and allow it to sink into the soil and water the plants. Because the soil was hard and had a high clay content, we loosened the soil using hand tools and mixed in compost prior to planting. We planted native perennials that are adapted to various levels of seasonal flooding. Some these plants are edible, including: blue elderberry, woodland strawberry, Redflower currant and evergreen huckleberry. Because these plants are locally adapted, they only need to be watered during dry seasons within the first year of planting. Once they become well established they will have long roots that can tap into deep soil moisture. We used mulch to cover the bare soil to keep down weeds, maintain soil moisture, absorb water and prevent erosion.



Aside from the plants, much of the garden materials can be acquired for free from local classified ads. If you would like information about building your own rain garden contact the Environmental Department or go online to find a design that works best for your yard.

## **E-waste**

The Environmental and Natural Resources Department still offers free Electronic Waste recycling. Feel free to drop off your e-waste at the ENR department on the pallets next to the big storage containers, located down the long driveway off Singley Hill Rd. If you would like your e-waste picked up you may call Kayla San Filippo (707) 733-1900 x119. Please no refrigerators unless the Freon has been removed. If you have any questions about what exactly qualifies as e-waste, please call! We accept paint and oil, but other household hazardous wastes such as freon, anti-freeze, and transmission fluid are not accepted. You may call Humboldt Waste Management Authority (707) 441-2005 for instructions on how you may dispose of these other types of household hazardous wastes.

## **Pet vouchers**

Pet vouchers for vaccination and spay & neuter are still available as well. These vouchers can be used at Riverwalk Veterinary, Ferndale Veterinary, or Fortuna Veterinary. Please call Kayla San Filippo at (707) 733-1900 ext 119 for questions or stop by the ENR office to pick one up.

## Library News

Greetings from the library!

We have a lot going on in the library.

- We received the 2016 IMLS (Institute of Museum and Library Services) Library Enhancement grant to help public schools recognize stereotypical and hurtful materials in children's literature. With this project the library will promote accurate information and representation in local schools' libraries.
- The library has a new reading program for children K-8 grade. For each homework reading log that is signed by their teacher and turned in the following week the child will receive a free two scoop ice cream cone from the Tobacco Traders.
- The Foods from Around the World program will also continue throughout the school year. It will take place the fourth Wednesday of the month at 2:30 and will be held in the library.

There is lots of new reading and listening material. Come check it out!

## THPO Department

### Native Food Garden

If you haven't visited it yet, stop by the Native Food Garden. You can always walk the trails and check it out on your own or give us a call if you'd like to join in the next planting event. We will be planting all through the Fall and Winter, as weather permits. We've been busy planting edible, native bulbs and wildflowers including Camas, Soaproot, Brodiaea, Checkerbloom, Globe Gilia, and Clarkia. They are dormant right now, but in the spring keep an eye out for the flowers.

The garden is located between the wetlands and the green fence, just uphill from the corner of Brenard & Keisner. The garden will include edible native plants, plus plants traditionally used for a wide variety of uses such as basket making materials, dyes, soap, medicinal plants, etc. As always, feel free to contact Murina (733-1900 x414) or Erika (733-1900 x233) if you'd like any more information or have questions.



## Library Events

We will have activities planned for youth during Thanksgiving Break in the Library.

- Monday: Beading with Jessica at 2:30
- Tuesday: Drumming with Bruce Kaye at 4:30
- Wednesday: Foods from Around the World at 2:30



# TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT UPDATE

## CONTACT INFORMATION

266 Keisner Road Loleta CA 95551 \* 707-733-1900 ext. 293 \* [wendellfreeman@brb-nsn.gov](mailto:wendellfreeman@brb-nsn.gov)

Please feel free to contact the department with any questions or concerns.

## Transportation Service Update

The Transportation Department will no longer assist in transporting tribal members to court. All requests for court appointments will be referred to our bus pass program.

## BUS PASS PROGRAM

Bus passes are available for qualified tribal members through the Transportation Department. Please contact the department to see how you can get connected!

## TRANSPORTATION SERVICES/SCHEDULING RIDES

The primary role of the Transportation department is to transport tribal members to and from medical appointments. Our services prioritize elders first, children (with parent or guardian) second and all others third.

In addition to providing transportation to medical related appointments the department assists tribal members with other important appointments such as behavior health, social services and AOD.

**It is important that tribal members attempting to schedule rides understand that it is their responsibility to contact the department 48 hours in advance of any appointments to check for availability. Last minute requests for transportation may be denied based on availability of drivers and the current schedule.**

**At the time appointments are scheduled we block out the anticipated time on our schedule to accommodate each appointment. Tribal members that have appointments scheduled with us for a ride must understand that we are only transporting for the appointment you have prearranged. Adding additional stops to a scheduled appointment at the time of the appointment may be denied based on driver availability and the current schedule.**

**We operate with limited staff and a high demand of priority appointments. Please understand that it is each tribal member's responsibility to plan ahead and that our services are not on demand shuttle service, we are appointment based.**

### MEDI-CAL PATIENTS

United Indian Health Services Medi-Cal patients that schedule a ride with the transportation department will now be asked to fill out a patient Release of Information form between Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria and UIHS. The Transportation Department will be requesting 3 specific pieces of information in regard to patients.

1. Request for your medical record number from the clinic
2. Confirmation that you are a Medi-Cal covered patient
3. Confirmation that each appointment we take you to is covered under Medi-Cal

We will never receive information about your appointments or you personally except what is covered in 1-3 above. Your treatment will never be divulged to the tribe.

The purpose of our request is so that the tribe can be reimbursed for our mileage and time to transport you to a Medi-Cal covered appointment. In doing so, we are able to put money back in our pockets for services we are already providing to you.

If you have any questions or concerns about the new Medi-Cal program the tribe is participating in please feel free to contact the Transportation Department.

### Tribal Vehicle Auction

Tribal Council has authorized the sale of 4 tribal vehicles. We have a Dodge Nitro, Ford Explorer and two Dodge Caravans that will be auctioned. This will be an open bid auction, must be present at the auction to bid. Enrolled tribal members only. Starting bid on each vehicle is \$500. Cash only and due on the day of the auction. Due to service requirements for each vehicle the date for the auction has not been set. Once the auction date is set detailed information for each vehicle will be posted on social media and mailed to local tribal members with the date/time of the auction included. Please contact the transportation department if you live out of the area and would like to be included in the mailing. Out of area tribal members will have to be present on the day of the auction to participate.

# Housing Report

## New Housing Construction 2017:

The Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria received a Grant Approval Notification letter dated September 13, 2016 from HUD SWONAP for ICDBG Indian Community Development Block Grant FY16 with a HUD funding level of \$605,000 from ICDBG, and a Tribal commitment of \$204,006.00 from a combination of IHBG (\$137,373.00), and other Tribal funding sources. This funding will help assist the Tribe with new housing construction Tish Non Village Phase VII of three single family homeownership units on Carroll Road will be coming this Spring of 2017.



An environmental assessment for this project was reviewed on November 1, 2016. It was approved. It will be published, and made available for public review and comment November 3, 2016 here at the Tish Non Community Center. After completion of appropriate procedures and submission of the FONSI/RROF to SWONAP, we are expecting a Release of Funds from SWONAP by December 2016.

**Tish Non Multi-Family Element:** The original planned project for development of Tish Non Village Apartments has been placed on

hold due to funding. Tish Non Village Apartments currently has an existing infrastructure funded principally by HUD Rural Innovation Fund grant of \$300,000 it consist of 16 units; 4 buildings will be located at the end of Bowie Road.

**Basayo Village Court:** Vacant units are available and Tribal members are encouraged to apply. Over income families can now apply. Remember we are also accepting Priority 2 applicants (non-Tribal parents of Tribal children), Priority 3 applicants (other Native American Indian), and Priority 4 all others, but these will only be served after all Priority 1 (Tribal head of household) applications are placed in units.



*Charmin Bailey, Housing Director*

# Bear River Recreation Center



Greetings,

The Bear River Recreation Center just wrapped up its first month of being open and things are going great!!

There has already been successful events and basketball tournaments held in the incredible basketball gymnasium, which is quickly becoming the talk of the towns! We have an ever growing Group Fitness Program that offers variety for the fitness needs of all. Our state of the art workout equipment in both upstairs and a downstairs

ADA room provide the opportunity for any exercise program to be fulfilled. PickleBall is also offered in the basketball gymnasium 2 mornings a week.

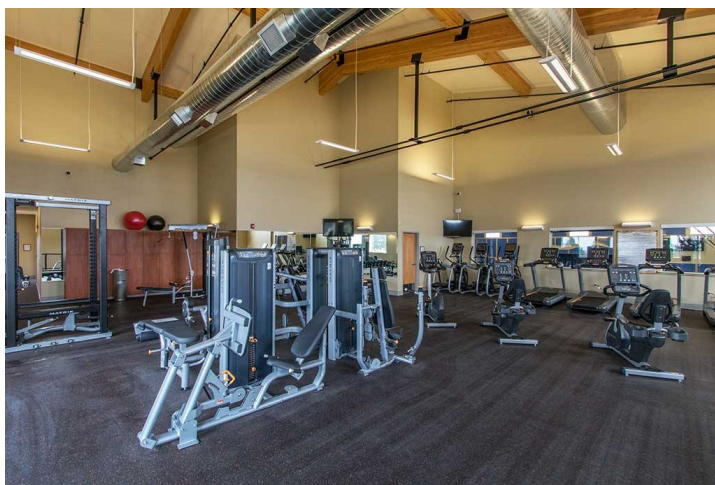
Memberships are growing on a daily basis, as we have many drop-ins exploring the facility as well. The first month at the Bear River Recreation Center has been very successful and has provided a very strong foundation with which to build upon.

The Bear River Recreation Center Manager Bio:

Jason Maki was born and raised in Eureka, Ca. and has lived their most of his life.

He is a life-long athlete and has been a fitness instructor/personal trainer for over 2 decades.

He is a former Tennis Club Owner/Operator, Health Club Membership and Marketing Director, and Tennis and Swim Club General Manager. He is extremely excited to be here and looks forward to moving the Bear River Recreation Center in a very positive direction!!!



# Healthy Families Class

Come and join us to learn new diabetes friendly ways  
to cook for your families this Holiday Season.

## Healthy Thanksgiving Dinner Options Class Presented by UIHS

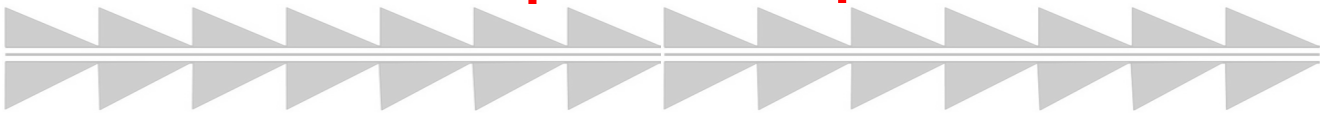


**November 16, 2016**

PRESENTED at the  
TISH-NON VILLAGE  
COMMUNITY BUILDING  
266 Keisner Road  
Loleta, CA 95551



**4:30 pm to 6:00 pm**



Bear River Recreation Center Grand Opening September 30th, 2016



# Bear River Band Thanksgiving Program

**Pick up Date: November 18<sup>th</sup> to November 22<sup>nd</sup> , 2016**

**Time: 10:00 am – 2:00 pm**

**Location: TISH-NON COMMUNITY CENTER**

Recipients must show up in person to sign for the food box/card, please schedule a ride with transportation department ahead of time.



If you are income eligible and would like to apply for the Thanksgiving Program make sure to fill out a service request application. Don't forget to attach income verification. For additional information contact: **Elizabeth Varelas or any Social Services Staff @ (707) 733-1900 ext.209**

## Income Eligibility Chart

Household Size	Income Limit
1	\$32,450.00
2	\$37,050.00
3	\$41,700.00
4	\$46,300.00
5	\$50,050.00
6	\$53,750.00
7	\$57,450.00
8	\$61,150.00

**Additional Member**

**Add \$3,820.00**

*"Thanksgiving is a good day for gratitude, for sharing,  
and for remembering the special people in our lives."*



**BEAR RIVER BAND of ROHNERVILLE RANCHERIA**  
266 Keisner Road, Loleta, CA 95551, 707-733-1900, FAX 707-733-1723

*Happy  
Thanksgiving*



**Attention Parents and Students:**

**What:** During Thanksgiving Break, Steven Cheney, Youth Program Coordinator, and other members of the Social Services Department will be facilitating fun activities for all Youth!

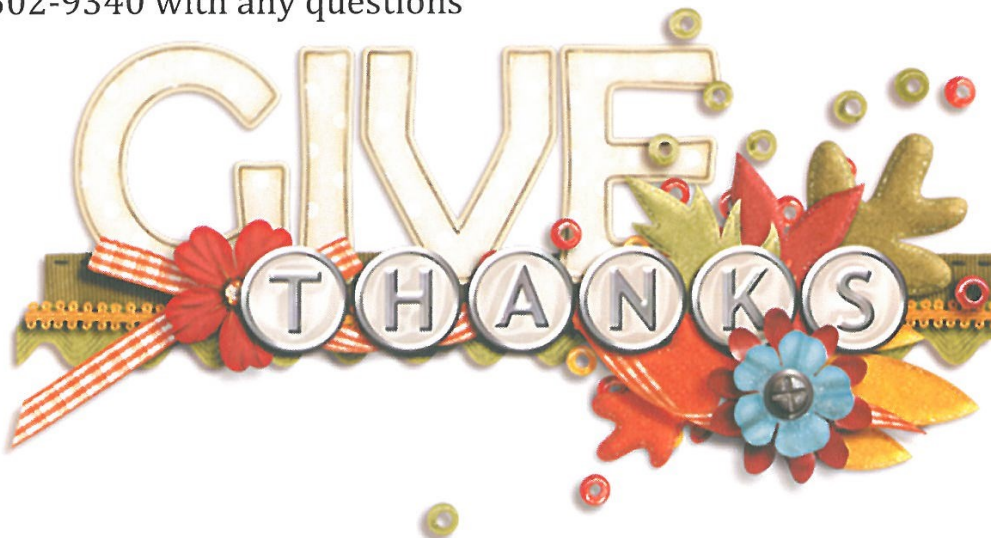
**When:** Monday (11/21), Tuesday (11/22), Wednesday (11/23)

**Where:** Meet at Bear River Tish Non Community Center (activities will be in venues around the Rancheria)

**Parents and Tribal Members welcome and encouraged to participate and volunteer!!!!**

Youth who do not comply with the Tribal Youth Behavioral Agreement will be asked to leave. The Tribal Youth Behavioral Agreement will be available to review at Tish-Non.

Please call Stephen Cheney, Youth Program Coordinator at the (707) 733-1900 ext 354 or Liana Whiteley, Social Services Director, (707) 502-9340 with any questions



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**2016 Tribal Christmas Dinner**

**December 10, 2016**

**1:00pm to 5:00pm**

**266 Keisner Road**

**Tish Non Community Center  
For Questions Contact**

**Celeste Ruiz 707-267-6548**

**or**

**Roseann Milhorn 707-733-1900**

If you plan on attending the Christmas Party on December 10, 2016 please fill out the attached Santa list, include your full name, age and what you would like from Santa. If you should have any questions please contact the above individuals.

**Dear Santa,**

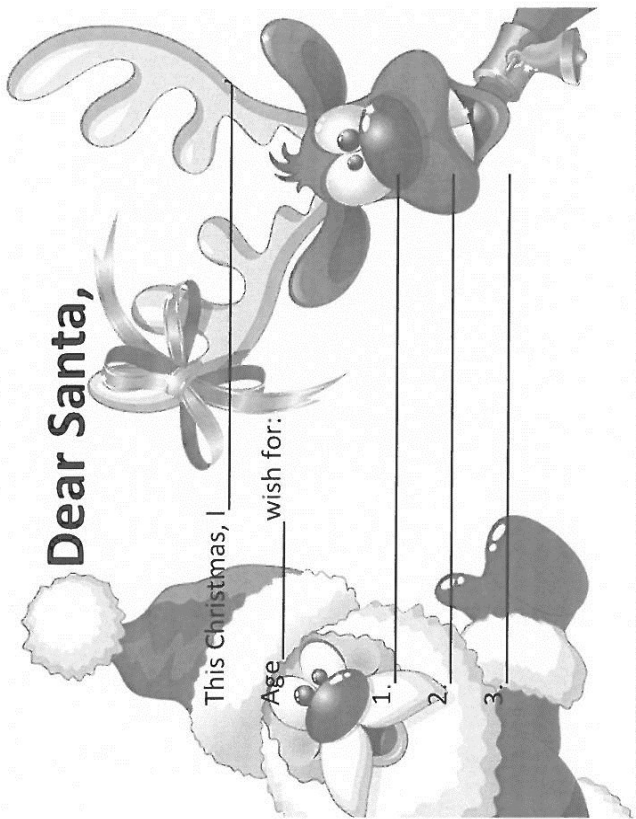
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Age \_\_\_\_\_ wish for:

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3. \_\_\_\_\_



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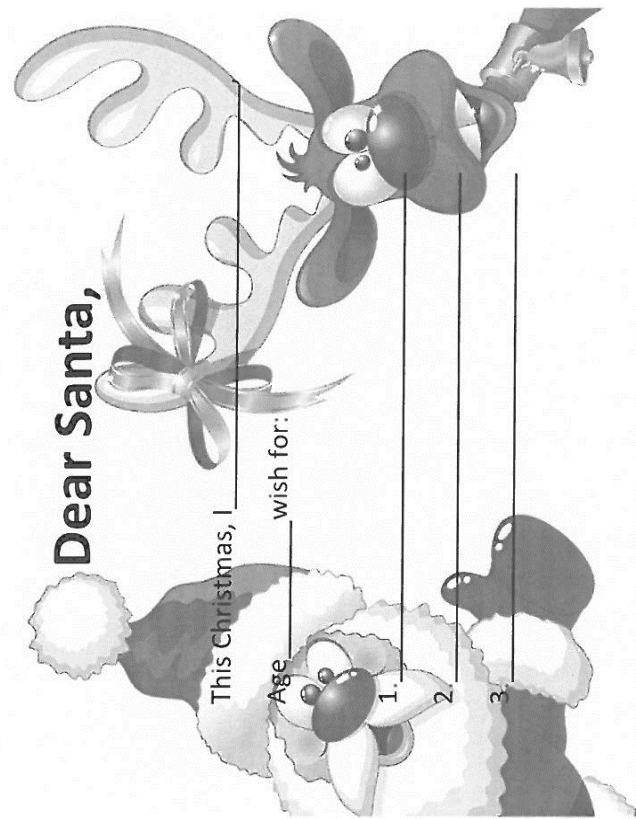
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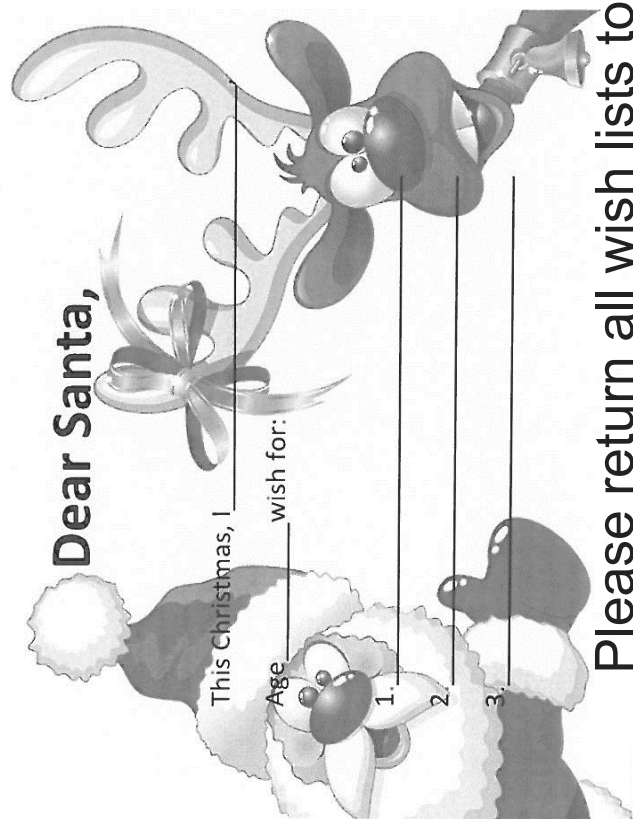
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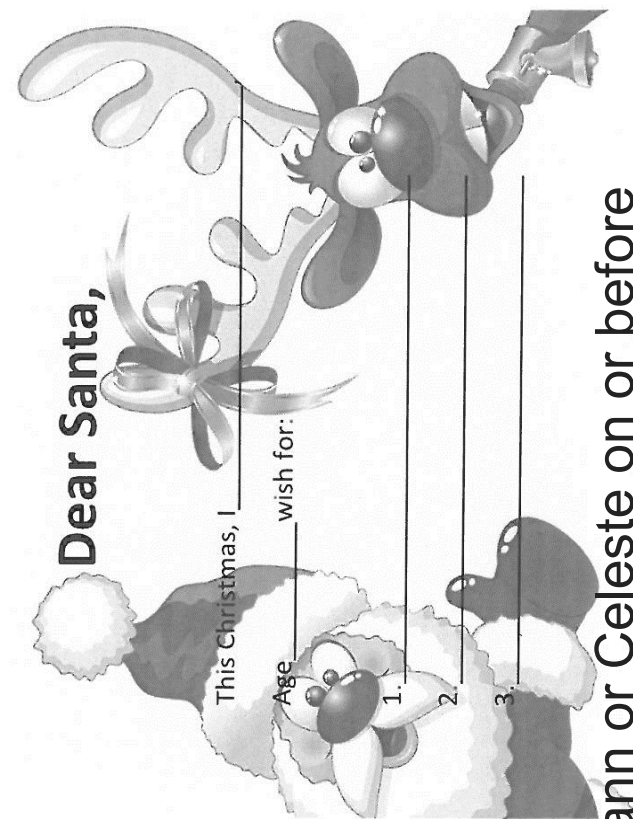
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Please return all wish lists to Roseann or Celeste on or before

Ages 0-17 Only

November 23rd , 2016 by 4:00 pm.

# Events Committee

The Events Committee would like to take this opportunity to inform you all of whom our Events Committee consists of, and what we do. We, the Events Committee are responsible for the planning, and overall preparation and execution of our Tribal Events such as; Easter, Tribal Picnic, Halloween, Thanksgiving, and Christmas.

Josefina Cortez-Chairperson (707) 683-6550 cell

Celeste Ruiz-Vice Chairperson

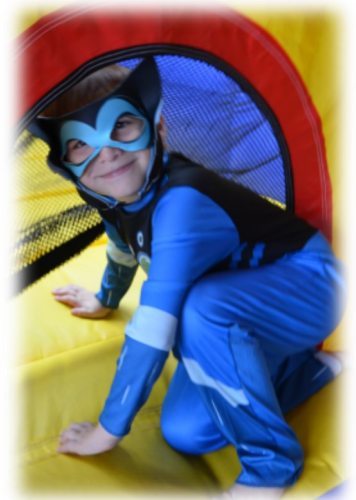
Elizabeth Marquez-Treasurer

Roseann Milhorn-Secretary

Wendell Freeman-At Large Council Member

If you should have any questions or concerns please let us know. We have an open door policy and are always looking for your insight.

The Events Committee is always looking for Tribal and Non Tribal volunteers, if you are interested in participating please feel free to contact any of the above members of the Committee. We look forward to making all of our Tribal Events memorable and enjoyable for all who attend.



*Halloween 2016*



611 I Street, Eureka , CA Commercial Office for rent



Bear River Recreation Center equipment



Youth Coordinator Eating Buffalo

## Youth Coordinator

Hello!

My name is Stephen Cheney, and I will be the new Youth Coordinator for the Bear River Community! I am super excited to work with the youth in this community. A little about me. I am Lakota, from the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe or Kul Wicasa Oyate of South Dakota. The Lakota word for the youth is Wakanheja, which translates into the sacred ones because they are the future. This is the way I view our

Native Youth. They are our biggest investment for the future and all of the things we do for them today will help to ensure that their future is a bright one.

Thank You!

Stephen Cheney

Two Polaroid-style photographs are shown. The left one shows Santa Claus in a red suit and hat, smiling and hugging a young girl in a red dress. The right one shows Santa Claus sitting between two young boys, one in a blue shirt and one in a plaid shirt, who are both smiling. The background of the photos is a Christmas tree with lights.

**FREE**  
*photos with Santa!*  
COMPLIMENTARY HOT CHOCOLATE AND COOKIES

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**NOVEMBER 27<sup>TH</sup> @ 6PM**  
IN THE TISH-NON BALLROOM

# 1<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL BEAR RIVER BASKETBALL CLASSIC TOURNAMENT



BEAR RIVER  
CASINO & HOTEL



**JANUARY 27-29, 2017**  
BEAR RIVER RECREATION CENTER

**ALL NATIVE MEN'S PLUS 1: 10 TEAMS MAX**  
**ALL NATIVE WOMEN'S PLUS 1: 6 TEAMS MAX**

#### MEN'S PRIZES

1<sup>st</sup> Place ...\$2,000 Cash + Pullovers  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place .....\$500 Cash + Hoodies  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place ..... T-Shirts

#### TOURNAMENT AWARDS

Men's Individual MVP  
Women's Individual MVP  
All Tourney Awards

#### WOMEN'S PRIZES

1<sup>st</sup> Place ...\$1,000 Cash + Pullovers  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place .....\$250 Cash + Hoodies  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place ..... T-shirts

**SIGN UP BY JANUARY 20, 2017 | \$400 ENTRY PER TEAM**

HOST HOTEL: Bear River Casino Hotel | Book early and use code "Bear River Classic" for room discounts.

Contact: John McGinnis at 707-407-6616 or email at [johnmcginnis@bearrivercasino.com](mailto:johnmcginnis@bearrivercasino.com)

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# Communication Survey

A survey was created and presented at the General Council Meeting October 29th. The survey was created for your input on how we can better serve you and keep you informed of what's happening at Bear River. If you are interested in participating in the survey please contact me today or view it on our website. If you have any questions please call me (707) 733-1900 ext. 154.

- If you would like to receive a Bear River Bulletin via email, please give us your name and email address.
- If you would like to receive email or text message updates please give us your name, cell phone number and/or email address to receive updates of upcoming events, classes etc. Outside of the newsletter

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone Number (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Your number and email will be used by the Communication Director for informational purposes on behalf of Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria. Phone numbers and emails will not be given to other departments.

If you would like to contact me and give the information please text me at (707) 672-4712. Please provide the following when texting:

Name      Roll Number      Phone Number and/or Email Address

## Direct Deposit Agreement Form

### Authorization Agreement

I hereby authorize **Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria** to initiate automatic deposits for my quarterly Per Capita payments to my account at the financial institution named below. I also authorize **Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria** to make withdrawals from this account in the event that a credit entry is made in error.

Further, I agree not to hold **Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria** responsible for any delay or loss of funds due to incorrect or incomplete information supplied by me or by my financial institution or due to an error on the part of my financial institution in depositing funds to my account.

This agreement will remain in effect until **Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria** receives a written notice of cancellation from me or my financial institution, or until I submit a new direct deposit form to Accounts Payable.

### Account Information

Name of Financial Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Routing Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Checking  
☐

Savings  
☐

### Signature

Authorized Name (Print) \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Signature (Primary): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Signature (Joint): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please attach a voided check or deposit slip and return this form to Accounts Payable.

Bear River Band of Rohmerville Rancheria  
266 Keisner Road  
Loleta, CA 95551

## Change of Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature (Required) Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name as it appears on the Tribal Roll Roll Number Phone Number

I request that my address be changed to the following:

C/O \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Member Signature Required \_\_\_\_\_

I request that my minor child's address be changed to the following:

Child's name \_\_\_\_\_ Roll # \_\_\_\_\_ C/O \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

Member Signature Required \_\_\_\_\_

## Contact Us

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